O.D. pipeline loop. El Paso states that these modifications will reduce the overall capital cost of the Project from \$56.6 million to \$15.4 million. El Paso says that the proposed take away capacity of the Samalayuca Delivery Lateral Line will be reduced from 300,000 Mcf per day to 208,000 Mcf (212,000 MMBtu) per day.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before March 28, 1997, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20426, a motion to intervene or a protest in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.10). All protests filed with the Commission will be considered by it in determining the appropriate action to be taken but will not serve to make the protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party to a proceeding or to participate as a party in any hearing therein must file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules. All persons who have heretofore filed need not file again.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary

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#### [Docket No. CP93-253-002]

# El Paso Natural Gas Company; Notice of Amendment

March 7, 1997.

Take notice that on March 3, 1997, El Paso Natural Gas Company (El Paso), Post Office Box 1492, El Paso, Texas 79978, filed in Docket No. CP93–253–002, an application to amend the Presidential Permit and Section 3 authorization issued by the Commission in Docket No. CP93–253–000, to modify the border crossing facilities at the International Boundary between United States and Mexico, all as more fully set forth in the amendment which is on file with the Commission and open for public inspection.

Specifically, El Paso requests that the Commission amend the Section 3 authorization and Presidential Permit granted to El Paso on November 29, 1993 in Docket No. CP93–253–000, to increase the 1,000 feet of 24-inch O.D. border crossing pipeline to be constructed across the Rio Grande River by an additional 500 feet. El Paso states that the additional 500 feet of 24-inch O.D. pipeline is needed because El Paso

proposes to directionally drill the Rio Grande River border crossing. El Paso states that directionally drilling the Rio Grande River at the International Boundary is economically prudent, environmentally preferable and the best engineering alternative.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said amendment should on or before March 28, 1997, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20426, a motion to intervene or a protest in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211). All protests filed with the Commission will be considered by it in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make the protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party to a proceeding or to participate as a party in any hearing therein must file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to the jurisdiction conferred upon the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission by Sections 3 and 15 of the Natural Gas Act and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a hearing will be held without further notice before the Commission or its designee on this application if no motion to intervene is filed within the time required herein, if the Commission on its own review of the matter finds that a grant of the certificate is required by the public convenience and necessity. If a motion for leave to intervene is timely filed, or if the Commission on its own motion believes that a formal hearing is required, further notice of such hearing will be duly given.

Under the procedure herein provided for, unless otherwise advised, it will be unnecessary for El Paso to appear or be represented at the hearing.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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### [Docket No. RP97-279-000]

# Gasdel Pipeline System, Inc.; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

March 7, 1997.

Take notice that on March 5, 1997, Gasdel Pipeline System, Inc. (Gasdel) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1–A, certain tariff sheets to be effective April 4, 1997. Gasdel states that the purpose of the filing is to comply with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) Order No. 582, issued on September 28, 1995 in Docket No. RM95–3–000, and with the Commission's order issued on February 3, 1997 in Docket Nos. RP97–91–000, et al., 78 FERC ¶ 61,099 (1997).

Gasdel requests waiver of the Commission's regulations to the extent necessary to permit the tariff sheets submitted to become effective April 4, 1997.

Gasdel states that copies of the filing are being mailed to its jurisdictional customers and interested state regulatory agencies.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal **Energy Regulatory Commission, 888** First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Section 385.214 and 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed as provided in Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room.

Lois D. Cashell,

Secretary.

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### [Docket No. RP96-320-008]

## Koch Gateway Pipeline Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

March 7, 1997.

Take notice that on March 5, 1997, Koch Gateway Pipeline Company (Koch) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Fifth Revised Volume No. 1, the following revised tariff sheet, to be effective March 1, 1997:

Third Revised Sheet No. 29

Koch states that this tariff sheet removes from the tariff two expired negotiated rate transactions.

Any person desiring to protest said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's